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SUBJECT: SECTION 301 PETITION FILED BY CHARLES REHFELDT,
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1. EMBASSY IS CORRECT IN ASSUMING SMALL IMPORTS BY
KOREA OF US ORIGIN HOME APPLIANCES. ROK IS A GATT
ARTICLE 18 COUNTRY WHICH MAINTAINS RATHER HIGH WALLS
FOR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PURPOSES.

2. BY WAY OF ILLUSTRATION, FOR ELEVEN MONTHS OF 1975
KOREA IMPORTED \$107,698 IN REFRIGERATORS FROM THE US
DUTIABLE AT 50 TO 80 PERCENT. US B&W AND COLOR TV
IMPORTS TOTALLED \$175,987 DUTIABLE AT BETWEEN
80 AND 100 PERCENT. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT EXCEPT
FOR LIMITED USE BY THE US ARMED FORCES RADIO AND TV
NETWORK, THERE IS NO COLOR TV BROADCASTING IN KOREA.
US WASHING MACHINES (\$17,229), VACUUM CLEANERS
(\$11,835), MISCELLANEOUS APPLIANCES (\$14,115) AND
KITCHEN RANGES (\$41,746) ARE DUTIABLE AT 50 TO 80 PERCENT
AND ALL SUCH LUXURY ITEMS REQUIRE IMPORT LICENSES AND
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200 PERCENT (60-120 DAY) IMPORT DEPOSITS PLUS HEAVY COMMODITY

TAXES OF ABOUT 60 PERCENT.
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